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The International Secretariat of OMCT requests your **URGENT** intervention in the following situation in **East Timor**.

Brief description of the situation:
The International Secretariat of OMCT has been informed by a reliable source of the alleged arrest of **Joaquim Moreira**, in Baucau on 17 May 1997. He is believed to be in military custody at an unknown location.

It is believed that **Joaquim Moreira,** a 28 year old student at the Economics High School, was arrested by members of the Military Intelligence Unit (Satuan Tuga Intelijen) in Baucau, and accused of involvement in the clandestine resistance movement. Attempts to locate his whereabouts have been unsuccessful.

OMCT is gravely concerned for the physical and psychological integrity of **Moreira**, and it is feared that if he is not located soon he will be at risk for further mistreatment, especially in light of the great number of cases describing torture and ill-treatment of detainees in military or police custody in East Timor.

Action requested:
Please write to the Indonesian authorities urging them to:

I. immediately locate the whereabouts of **Joaquim Moreira**, guarantee his physical and psychological integrity and ensure his access to independent legal representation;

II. order his immediate release if he is detained without valid charges or, if such charges exist, bring him before a competent and impartial tribunal and guarantee his full procedural rights;

III. order an immediate inquiry into the events to ascertain and identify those responsible, bring them to trial and apply the penal / civil or administrative sanction provided by the law in force;

IV. ensure in all circumstances respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms in accordance with national laws and international standards.

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Geneva, 5 June 1997

Please inform us of any action undertaken, quoting the exact number of this appeal in your reply.